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PRESENT METHOD UNFAIR.

Expert Says "Count Only Touchdowns and Goals From Field."

"The close of the football season suggests some very necessary changes in the rules which govern the game, which must be made before anything like fairness can be insured," are the words of an expert who has closely followed the work of the college teams this year.

"First of all comes the rule of goal kicking," he says, "that solecism of the football world which is a relic of heaven knows how many ages, and has caused no end of bitter disappointments, heart aches and lost championships.

"A few years ago it was the rule that touchdowns should count four, goal from touchdowns two and goals from field five. Then the kicking of the goal meant the winning or losing of a game in many cases, and the dropping of a goal from the field was better than a touchdown without a goal. The rule was then altered so that a touchdown counted five, a goal from the field five and a goal from touchdown one. That placed goals from the field and touchdowns on the same level.

"The question of rating a touchdown and a goal from the field is no easy matter. But that one team can beat another by making a touchdown and kicking a goal when the other team has made a touchdown and missed the goal, perhaps because of a hard angle, a gust of wind or some little freak of nature is manifestly unfair.

"Had Michigan kicked a goal she would have tied Pennsylvania. Had Yale kicked a goal from her touchdown she would have tied Princeton. Here are two cases which in themselves show the unfairness of the system of counting now used.

"Yale had played a magnificent game and victory was in her grasp. The goal from the field which Poe made was enough to win the game, because Yale had failed to make a goal from touchdown.

"The goal from a touchdown puts a premium on one part of the goal line over the other. If a team has carried the ball fifty yards for a touchdown and then gets over in the corner of the field there is but one alternative, a punt, out, which is a risky operation.

"For these and other obvious reasons there seems to be but one thing to do. Abolish goal kicking. There is no reason in the truck, and nothing particularly in keeping with the game as it is played. For a game that has been carried to the point of science that football has, the rules are in this matter very crude. It has perhaps been clung on to by the committee because it is a kicking trick, and the idea that the game is called football seems to demand a retention of all the kicking. But the custom is a solecism, and should be laid aside.

"Other rules which need some attention are the powers of an umpire over the men who are not in the game. In the Harvard-Yale and Yale-Princeton games particularly, there was much coaching from the side lines. This is against the spirit of football and against the rules. Dashiell, who umpired these games, spoke of it, but there was nothing he could do.

"Then in the Yale-Princeton game a Princeton sub, Duncan, was sent on to the field by a coach, right in the midst of the game. He started on the run, whispered to Captain Edwards, and ran to the other side. The Yale men hissed, and Umpire Dashiell stopped to reprimand him, and threatened to put him from the field. But of what avail? He had told his secret.

"In all of the games there is something of the same sort. Every time a trainer goes on the field with his man, to fix a couple, he has instructions from the side lines. The spirit of this is bad. It does not make the game unfair, but it does detract from the interest in the game. The game should be a battle of men and their knowledge—not of coaches and football experts. There are two ways to stop this; first, by college feeling, and second, by prohibiting coaches on the side line.

"College and public sentiment can do much. A few years ago it became necessary to legislate against wedges and mass plays. It seemed to result in less injuries. But the greatest factor in the improvement of the game was the awakening of men to the sense that games must be clean. And less injuries result now because college men are trained and coached from the start not to slug and not to try to injure an opponent.

"On athletic and scrub teams, where the spirit is different, these injuries still hold, but this only proves that when football is played as it should be played there is less danger."

TEA TABLE TALK.

While the world has become familiar with the name of Marconi and his wonderful system of telegraphing without the medium of wires, very few people here are aware that this city has a young man whose inventive genius runs in the same direction as Marconi's. It is a fact, known to a small group of us, that a young fellow who holds a pretty important night position in town has been conducting experiments in wire less telegraphy for a number of weeks now, and with considerable success. Indeed, it is not impossible that Marconi may be beaten in his own field. I am under bonds not to divulge the name of this local expert.

I have noticed lately that sound travels over the local telephone wires more clearly than it used to. That embarrassing humming and buzzing is not so apparent, by half. One of my friends who uses the 'phone frequently suggests that the improvement is due to placing the wires under ground. I don't know why this might not be so. Anyway, it is more of a pleasure to throw your voice through the 'phone now than it was formerly.

This continued waging of football games in the newspapers has become very tiresome. That last game is all over; the dead have been buried, the injured are all about able to hobble around, and the few who were so fortunate as to have their lives spared have fared blunderbuses and ripped the air with yells, even as the victorious Greeks and Romans of old. Then why not let the thing drop? The general public doesn't care a half-penny now whether Jiggs "plunked" Jiggs in the thorax intentionally or merely through a misapprehension. It is of no longer any consequence whether one fellow had all his teeth poked out with a meat ax, or whether somebody else suffered a general smashup of six ribs because twenty-one friends jumped on him all together and held a war dance on his prostrate form. It was a great and glorious battle; that is universally acknowledged. Hair was pulled freely, faces were slapped, and there was carnage enough to suit a Spanish bullfighter. Now stop this absurd scrapping on paper. The public is heartily sick of it.

It appears that the ferryboat New-march sounded her own doom. When the upper works of the burning vessel fell in, somehow the whistle was blown twice, as a signal that her days were all over. The dwellers on Badger's island were somewhat startled by the unusual knell.

It seems strange to see a nobby new clock in the police court room. The one that was discarded recently had ticked away faithfully there for thirty years, always in the same place on the wall. It did wonderfully good service, and the policemen and reporters regarded it as an old friend.

I heard somebody connected with the police department suggest, the other day, that a gymnasium be fitted up somewhere for the use of the officers. It is an excellent idea. The police in other cities have such a place, and the daily training obtainable there has never failed to work greatly to their advantage. Undoubtedly a gym would be received very favorably by the members of the Portsmouth force.

There are now thirty two horses in the Maplewood farm stable. Tom Marsh is busy about every day trying out the racers. The veteran driver has not yet sent the new acquisition, Astello, over the track, but will probably soon do so. All the horses are in pretty good condition, barring those that have been sick. At one time seven were ailing, and Dr. Murphy had his hands full caring for them.

Rev. Myron Tyler, in the course of his sermon at the Court street Christian church, on Sunday morning, said that there are too many baked beans, loaves of brown bread, and Sunday newspapers in this country to admit of the church attendance that ought to be accorded every pastor. In other words, he intimated that Sunday is the lazy day of the week, and that folks lie in bed, gorge themselves with "grub" or devote forty-page papers, instead of going to divine worship. And the reverend gentleman wasn't half wrong, at that.

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NEWSY GLEANINGS FROM OUR SUBURBAN TOWNS.

KITTERY.

KITTERY, Me., Dec. 5.
Mail addressed to the following persons has remained uncalled for during the month of November:
Bacon, Miss Estella;
Martin, Mr. J. W., (Sch. Madeline);
Watson, Miss Mamie.
At the Wentworth hall this evening occurs the lecture of Hon. W. W. Stetson, state superintendent of schools and an entertainment by the scholars of the high school.

E. G. Parker post, No. 99, G. A. R., will meet at headquarters on Thursday evening, Dec. 7 at 7.30 for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year.

Regular meeting this evening of Constitution Lodge, Knights of Pythias.

Yesterday afternoon the five year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ira C. Keene, who was accidentally shot July 8, was successfully operated on by Dr. E. E. Shapleigh and the bullet extracted.

Fred Bradbury of Dover was in town today.

Mrs. Joseph Patch is restricted to her home by illness.

GREENLAND.

GREENLAND, Dec. 5th.

The Greenland Grange will attend the Pomona meeting in Exeter next Wednesday at which time of the local members will take the fifth degree. On returning they will hold a meeting at their lodge room in the town hall.

On the day of the Pomona meeting in this town George A. Norton, our worthy and efficient postmaster was complimented on keeping one of the finest and neatest country stores in Rockingham county. Quite a recommendation for Mr. Norton and also for our little town of Greenland.

Miss Annie Huntress of Cambridge, Mass., who has been visiting friends and relatives in this town for the past few weeks, returned to her home yesterday.

William Leach of Cambridge was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Duntley over Sunday.

Miss Carrie Barsantee is suffering with a severe attack of asthma.

It is rumored that John E. Seavey has purchased the Morse estate on the Hampton road.

George W. Duntley was a visitor in Portsmouth yesterday.

Last evening was more like winter than anything we have had for the last two weeks.

Miss Ruth Duntley of Somerville is visiting Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Moulton on Breakfast Hill road.

E. C. Daniels passed the day in Boston on business.

An unusually high tide was witnessed along the shores of Great Bay yesterday.

E. W. Holmes was a visitor in Portsmouth Monday.

Masons began plastering the new house of W. A. Odell, this morning.

This kind of weather brings smiles on the faces of the smelt fishermen.

A slight snow squall was noticed in this town this morning.

Mr. Herbert A. Tuttle will leave for East Kingston tomorrow.

The Stratham football team are to play a game on the home gridiron tomorrow afternoon.

DOVER POINT.

DOVER POINT, Dec. 5.

The schooner C. B. Kennard, Capt. Freeman, with 6000 bricks from Abbott's yard, Eliot, Me., sailed for Boston Sunday.

Peter Loughlin shipped 4000 bricks to Dover by rail yesterday.

The Shakespeare club, Newington will give another of those popular whist parties at the town hall there next Wednesday evening, weather permitting. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

Miss Ida M. Pinkham, who has been visiting in Boston and vicinity for several days has returned home.

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spent Sunday in Newington with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Valentine Coleman.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Wallace Spinney and Edward Twombly and wife of Dover spent Sunday here with Mr. and Mrs. Ira F. Pinkham.

Mrs. J. A. Neill and three children of New Castle, who have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. Oscar Pinkham, have returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. James H. Merrow of Newburyport, Mass., who have been visiting at F. W. deRoche's in Newington for a few days past, have returned home.

Mrs. Mary Ann Howe of Farmington, N. H., is the guest of Mrs. Fannie Randall.

PLAISTOW.

PLAISTOW, Dec. 5.

The schools commenced Monday morning with the same teachers as last term.

John H. Noyes and wife spent Thanksgiving in Boston.

Our town receives \$186.06, our share of the special appropriation of the state for schools, and the committee will see that it is rightly used.

Injunctions have been placed on several road houses in the lower part of the town.

The Rockingham whist club meets next Monday evening with Morris B. Dorr.

The Grange will hold a meeting on Wednesday evening, Dec. 6th, when the third and fourth degrees will be worked and a turkey supper will be served.

Miss Ella Lund will give a reading at the town hall on Wednesday evening, Dec. 12th.

The K. of P. minstrel show will be held Tuesday evening, Dec. 12.

Goodwin Council, No. 4, will work the degrees on Friday evening. A paper will be read by Brother John Watson and refreshments served.

The Orient degree team will work with eleven candidates on Saturday evening.

George E. Ricker and family are about to move from town.

E. H. Walker of the Union house, who has been in Florida for his health, will return next week.

George H. Tucker has been engaged to transport the scholars to the center school another term.

The members of Goodwin council attended service at the Baptist church, Sunday, when Rev. Frank Parker preached an excellent patriotic sermon.

W. A. BACK.

LIKE FINDING MONEY.

The use of the Endless Chain Starch Book in the purchase of "Red Cross" and "Hibinger's Best" starch, makes it just like finding money. Why, for only 5c you are enabled to get one large 10c package of "Red Cross" starch, one large 10c package of "Hibinger's Best" starch with the premiums, two Shakespeare panels, printed in twelve beautiful colors, or one Twentieth Century Girl Calendar, embossed in gold. Ask your grocer for this starch and obtain the beautiful Christmas presents free.

FUNERAL OF A CHILD.

The funeral of Paul G. Cammett, child of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cammett of Burkett street was held at 2 o'clock this afternoon at the home and owing to the nature of the disease that caused death, the service was private. Mr. Oliver W. Ham was the undertaker.

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WATER FRONT NEWS.

Reported in the lower harbor Dec. 5.—Schooner A. W. Ellis, Ryder, New York, Rockland, coal.

Sailed Dec. 5.—Schooners, J. Holmes Birdsall, Norfolk; John M. Fiske, Rockland; barge C. R. R. No. 1, Port Johnson.

Over 75,000 pounds of cod fish were brought into Newlin & Co.'s, Monday, and were packed in ice for the Boston and New York markets. Last year, they brought ten cents a pound, and were very scarce at that.

Last evening at Newton & Co.'s dock, one of the most unusual sights could be seen when a big school of herring struck in, and the water was completely alive with them. At one time, Sherman Newton says if a net had been handy they could have taken 500 pounds easily.

While Portland is in the midst of a coal famine and the situation there is fast becoming serious, there seems to be plenty of coal here. There has been almost a congestion of coal in the railroad yard. For the past two or three days, on every siding have been long trains of loaded coal cars, the greater part of them filled to go up over the Concord branch of the Boston & Maine railroad to Manchester and cities north of there. Others are intended for Dover, Somersworth, Rochester and the north. While extra trains have been carrying this great amount out, more has been arriving. The 7000 tons recently brought to this port by two English steamers of the Dominion line from Cape Breton has all been shipped away. With pleasant weather, so as not to delay navigation, more coal will be received here during this month than ever in the history of this port for a corresponding month.

DEAFNESS CANNOT BE CURED

By local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, Deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed for ever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free.
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GRAFFOIT CLUB LECTURE COURSE POSTPONEMENT.

Owing to the illness of Thomas Wentworth Higginson it is necessary to change the date of the first lecture in the course from December 7th to December 13th. On that date Prof. Morse of Salem will deliver his interesting lecture on "Wonders of Growth in Animals." Prof. Morse illustrates his lecture by blackboard drawings with both hands. The lecture will be held at Peirce hall on Dec. 13th at eight p. m.


THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—The President sent his message to congress this afternoon.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

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WOMEN'S REALITY

MORNING ROBES.

Pretty and Graceful Designs to Wear in the Bedroom—Two Materials Used.

A morning robe that is both pretty and graceful to slip on while arranging the toilette is made of light weight flannelette striped with a broad band of old rose and a tiny one of green, on a background of pale yellow. Nine yards of material are required to make such a gown for a person of medium height with half a yard of rose, green or deep cream brilliantine for the yoke and band around the foot of the skirt. This morning gown may be made on a wrapper pattern if care is taken to curve the seams so that there will be a graceful flare in the bang of the



MORNING ROBE.

skirt. The sides and back of the waist fit closely while the front falls loose. A cord to match the yoke finished with a large round ball confines the robe at the waist. The brilliantine yoke is almost round and the neck is finished with a band of the same material or ribbon. The sleeves are very long and flowing, slightly smaller than angel sleeves, and like the foot of the skirt are bordered with a three-inch band of the brilliantine.

An Evening Coiffure.

The ostrich tip has superseded the aigrette in the evening coiffure. As here illustrated it should droop over the bang. The hair must puff a little back of the ears and under the knot.



OSTRICH TIP COIFFURE.

and the fashionable curls should fall on the neck, but they should be longer than here pictured if the neck is very long.

Fashion and Its End.

Fashion is a two-fold movement. In its large evolution a type dominates for some generations or so, with modification so slow as to be unperceived, the result of social conditions prevailing in the civilized world, forming the drift that is referred to above that is not controlled; in its special action it is a variation from season to season, and from day to day, a constant individual creation on the same general theme. This second movement is the one that is popularly recognized. It is due to woman's present social status, which forces her to constant effort to set herself off from other women, or to emulate other women, by her dress, as men are forced to emulate other men or to distinguish themselves from the mass of men by force or by intellect. The end pursued by both is singularity, that is to say distinction from others, and with woman distinction by beauty.

Canned Fruit.

Canned fruit should be emptied immediately after opening. Often a most dangerous acid is formed by the chemical action of the air upon the solder of the cans. It is this acid, indeed, which is responsible for much of the prejudice against canned food. Many of the reported accidents have been traced to this form of kitchen carelessness.

Clever Girls.

Miss Lizzie Leodner of "Good Clue" Ok. has raised a company of girls whom she calls tough riders. They are all equestrians and sharpshooters, and can hit a silver dollar at a distance of 100 yards while on the run.

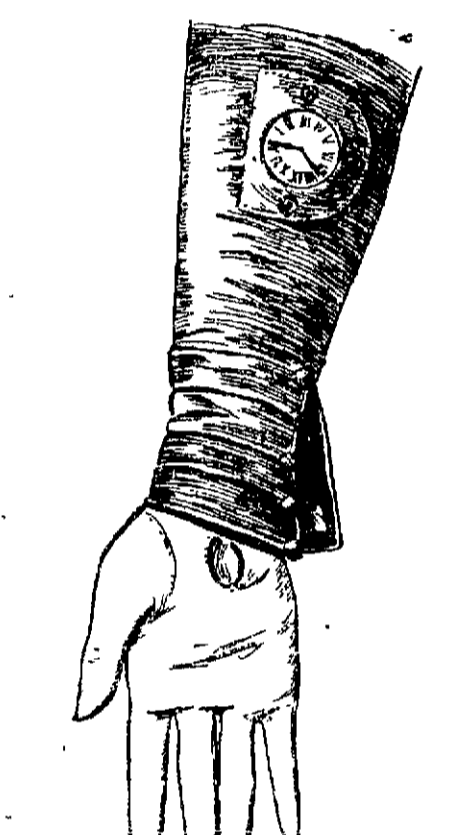
CUT FLOWERS.

How to Make Them Retain Their Beauty and Freshness.

Flowers treated properly can last and look well even after six weeks, thus taking from them their only reproach, and rendering them possible pleasures for the poorest. Every night take them out of the vase and thoroughly rinse the stalks under the tap, removing with the fingers any recomposed matter. Then place them to bed for the night in a basin of strong soapuds. Be careful not to allow any water to touch the blossoms, as this only fades them. The soapuds supply a certain amount of nourishment. In the morning rinse the stalks under the water again, and as each blossom is arranged for the day in the vase of fresh water snip off the thickest possible portion of the stalk with a pair of scissors. Always carefully trim away any faded portion. Food for the day is supplied by sulphate of ammonia, a small quantity of which can be bought from the chemist for a few cents. If he knows his business, he will be able to tell you that sulphate of ammonia contains all the properties of good manure for keeping the blossoms alive. A few drops in each vase is quite sufficient; indeed, if you use the soapuds at night, as well as the sulphate of ammonia in the day, some intervals must be spent by the flowers in nothing but clear cold water. It is possible to kill with kindness; remember, put the flowers at night into some dark, cool place—say, a seculary or pantry—as it is not good either for the flowers or the household that they should remain all together in the living rooms. To revive flowers put them into warm salt water, to which has been added a few drops of sulphate of ammonia. To keep a spray of arranged flowers, place on damp cotton wool under a basin. This keeps the air away and preserves the blossoms. The fragile, delicate maiden hair fern is best treated in this way.

At Last a Pocket.

The originators of fashions have solved a problem which has puzzled women ever since women's watches were first made. They have decreed a new pocket for dresses. That pocket is a watch pocket, and it is located on the inner part of the left sleeve, mid-



SLEEVE POCKET.

way between the wrist and the elbow. The little pocket from the outside of which a circular piece the size of the watch face has been cut out, is conveniently seen and can be readily reached by the right hand. The flap of the pocket is padded with soft material, so there is practically no danger of breaking the watch. Many designs for beautifying the pocket are noticed. In most cases the rim of the circle through which the face shows is richly embroidered with gold or silver thread.

The watch is slipped into the pocket from the side, and buttons secure it from falling out. As in the case of the wrist watches which were much worn several years ago, the face is always in plain sight and the time of day may be seen by the wearer at a glance.

Complexion Notes.

A beautiful skin depends largely upon proper digestion; hence the woman who is staid to preserve or to improve her complexion will make a point of keeping her stomach, bowels and liver in fine working order.

Indoor gymnastics are beneficial in strengthening muscles and rendering the body supple; but they do not answer in place of outdoor exercise when the complexion is concerned.

Women with sensitive skins should never wash the face just before going in the sun, as it renders the skin more liable to tan and sunburn. If the skin chaps readily rub the face lightly with the least particle of cold cream before going out in the wind. To prevent a greasy appearance, powder slightly with talcum powder.

Sayings About Women.

The society of ladies is the school of politeness.—Montfort.

All I am, or can be, I owe to my angel-mother.—Abraham Lincoln.

Remember woman is most perfect when most womanly.—Gladstone.

Earth has nothing more tender than a plump woman's heart.—Luther.

Dispute our bondage as we will, 'tis woman, woman rules us still.—Moore.

No man can enter live pious or die righteous without a wife.—Richter.

Even in the darkest hour of earthly ill, woman's fond affection glows.—Sard.

Heaven will be no heaven to me if I do not meet my wife there.—Andrew Johnson.

Historic Ability of Holland's Queen. The Queen of Holland's chief hobby is amateur acting. She takes the liveliest interest in dramatic art, and never fails to attend the first nights at the theatres. A few years ago she had a theatre built for her use at the Loo, where plays are performed under her direction.

PORTO RICO WOMEN

CURIOUS CUSTOMS OF FEMALES IN THE LAND WHERE NO ONE WALKS.

They Ride to Church on Mules and Smoke Big Black Cigars—Some of Them Are Beautiful—Roses That Are Won for Ornament—A Beautiful Flower.

No one ever walks in Porto Rico. The mule is the thing there. The women ride a great deal. The better classes use the English saddle, although a few prefer the more picturesque and safer, but less graceful, Spanish saddle. In the country districts the pillion is occasionally employed, while among the lower classes many women ride astride without exciting comment. When the natives are both pretty and good riders they display considerable coquetry in the saddle.

I noticed one rider near Juana Diaz a writer says who took my mind back to the old days of chivalry. She was a lovely girl of about fifteen or sixteen, with a face like a madonna and a figure like an artist's model. One little foot crept out beneath her silk riding skirt, and to my surprise it was devoid of hose. The skin was like polished velvet, and was of a pinkish gold of an exquisite tint. It was shod with a slipper of satin or silk, embroidered in color, and had an arched instep which made the foot all the more charming by its setting.

The time to see the women at their best is on Sunday morning, when they ride from their homes to mass in the nearest church or cathedral. On one Sunday morning, while riding leisurely into a small village on my way to this town, I met a crowd of worshippers on their way to mass. Nearly all the women were on muleback and sat or lolled as if they were in an easy chair in their own houses. A few, probably wealthier than the others or else delicate in health, were accompanied by little dark boys, who held over them a parasol or an umbrella.

On Sunday each woman wears a huge rosary, sometimes so large as to be uncomfortable. I saw several that were so unwieldy that they went over the shoulders and formed a huge line, larger indeed than a string of sloop bells. These are ornamental rosaries and are not used for prayer. The praying rosary is as small and dainty as those used by fashionable women in our own Roman Catholic churches. Besides the fan and the rosary every woman was provided with a neat and often handsomely bound prayer book and a huge lighted cigar or cigarette.

This is indeed the land for women who love the weed. A few smoke cigarettes, and a few, but a majority, smoke cigars. The latter are of the like portulaca, perfectos, Napoleons and other rolls of the weed larger than those usually seen in our own land. They smoke them at home and in the streets, at the table or on the balcony, lying in hammocks, or lolling on their steeds, and only desist when within the sacred walls of the church. The moment mass is over and they emerge into the sunlight the first thing the women do is to light a fresh cigar and then climb into the saddle.

They make a beautiful picture upon the roads. Imagine an intensely blue sky above, with heavy rich green vegetables and startling dashes of scarlet, crimson, vermillion, orange and white from the flowers which seem to bloom the year through, setting off the bright colors of the costumes. It combines the picturesque side of New Orleans life, of Florida scenery, of the Maine Lake country and of the New Hampshire hills.

Beautiful Red Hair.

Instead of being dissatisfied with their lot, women with red hair should study how to use it becomingly and be proud of the distinction of having it. There appears to be an luncheon among women with red hair that almost any shade of blue can be worn by them, because, as a usual thing, they have fair and delicate complexions. But, as a matter of fact, blue is the one color above others that ought to be avoided. The contrast is too violent and the combination is not harmonious. The shades most suitable to be worn with red hair are bright, sunny brown and all autumn leaf tints. After these may be selected pale or very dark green, pale yellow and black mixed with any other color. Mixed colors are not becoming to red haired people, as they nearly always give them a more or less dowdy appearance. In fact, red hair is usually so brilliant and decided that it must be met on its own ground, and no vague, undecided sort of things should be worn with it.

What Some Girls Do.

Here are a few unusual occupations recently developed by self-reliant young women.

One runs a blacksmith shop.

One goes out shampooing ladies' hair.

One does house-to-house mending and a lot of shopping.

One "suggests" tasteful fabrics and make-ups for wealthy women of no taste.

One goes about as a professional packer of ladies' trunks.

Several superintend the preparation of large fashionable dinners.

A number are well-known as professional directresses of house-cleaning in establishments where bric-a-brac, pictures, etc., require much care.

Antiseptic Gloves.

In these days of bacilli and microbes one is constantly in danger of her life. To be handed change by a car conductor or a bundle of bills in a store is to be handed so many thousand germs of disease. But a remedy has been found by which Madame and Monsieur may be entirely free from microbes. The antiseptic glove is the very latest fad among ulcer-maniacs. They come in dainty kid and larger sizes for men.

A Royal Typewriter.

The czarina of Russia is of a practical turn of mind, and uses the typewriter with facility. She can type fifty words a minute. The frame of her machine is inlaid with mother of pearl, and the bars are of gold.

Times Change.

A bride always starts in by giving her husband half the clothes closet, but within three weeks all his clothes will be hanging on four nails.

WASHING THE FACE.

It Is Something That Should Be Done With Care.

Usually it is sufficient to wash the face on rising and before going to bed, but if the face is dirty between times it must be washed, of course. Frequent scrubbing injures the texture of the skin, therefore, it is always advisable to allow possible irritation by the use of cold cream before washing when the face is very dirty, and for protection's sake before exposing the face to trying conditions, as just suggested.

When the skin is dry, when the age of wrinkles is reached, when the skin is subjected to any but ideal conditions, it is well to feed it overnight. After thoroughly washing, thoroughly rinsing and thoroughly drying the face at night—and make the whole process gentle, though thorough, not torturing—apply a good cold cream and let it remain overnight.

There are cold creams and cold creams. No two skin specialists use the same creams, and each manufacturer of toilet articles prefers his own formulas. It is the custom of some writers on toilet matters to advise women to make their own toilet preparations, but I do not. It is a difficult and unsatisfactory task for even the woman having facilities at hand for distilling water, a mortar, droppers and various other accessories. It is a waste of time and money to make a concoction of oils, acids and extracts; it is a totally hopeless task for anyone not provided with these laboratory furnishings. I advise every woman either to buy the preparations of chemists of repute, who make a specialty of toilet articles, or else to carry recipes that they know are reliable to competent apothecaries who can accurately compound them.

Aids to Beauty.

Sleep on a very low pillow or none at all. Sleeping on a flat bed will help to give straight, firmly-poised shoulders.

Walk from one to three miles every day in broad-soled shoes and loose clothing, leaving cares at home. You may find them when you return, or they will have fled entirely.

Walk with the limbs swinging from the hips, like a pendulum; and to this keep the weight of the body forward on the balls of the feet. This is the secret of a graceful stage carriage.

Take a morning sponge bath with as much regularity as you eat your dinner.

Do not retire in a bedroom in which the gas has been burning for hours. Put out the light, throw open the windows as wide as possible and get pure oxygen before retiring. Then leave the window so that there is circulation of good air all night long.

Regular hours for sleeping and for eating are the best means of keeping perfect health. A dentist on looking at a girl's teeth found no cavities to fill. She asked in surprise: "How is that?" He replied that she had probably been sleeping regularly, eight hours a night, and jokingly added that there is a science in "teeth reading" quite as real as palmistry.

Paper Weights.

A paper weight that is beautiful is made by artistically arranging tiny sea-shells and mosses together and putting them beneath glass. These canes can be bought either oval or square, and they magnify whatever is put beneath them. Take your glass and cut a piece of cardboard the size of the hollow in the glass, and onto this cardboard arrange as neatly as possible the tiny sprays of moss and small flowers. Have your variety of the smallest shells handy, also a candle and beeswax, and tangle your shells with tweezers, and put the candle end of it in the flame of the candle, just long enough for it to get warm, then have your wax made into little round wads, put the shells into this while they are warm, and when they are cold they will rest perfectly solid. With the little roseleaf shells you can put these leaves in curls at a time, until you have a perfect little flower. The cardboard is covered with little shell flowers, and pretty ends of mosses are put into the glass, and the bottom covered with felt. This is beautiful, and makes a useful paper weight as well.

The Women of Burma.

Not long ago Lord Dufferin remarked that the Burmese are the only Eastern nation among whom women are truly respected, honored and obeyed.

Woman in Burma has always had full play, she has been bound by no ties, and she has always had perfect freedom to make for herself just such a life as she thinks best fitted for her.

She has been allowed to change as her world changed, and she has lived in a very real world—a world of stern facts, not fancies.

Boys and girls grow up together, but with the school day comes a division. In great towns there are regular schools for girls, but in the villages the boys are in the monasteries, the girls are learning to weave and tend the cattle, and drawing water and collecting firewood.

The daughters of better class people, such as merchants, and clerks, and advocates, do not, of course, work at field labor.

To Clean Paint.

Almost every housekeeper knows that in cleaning paint it is necessary to use extreme care in order not to injure it. The following directions, if strictly followed, will result in clean, bright woodwork: At first the room should be dusted carefully with a painter's brush. If white paint is to be cleaned, take a pint of ammonia and a small piece of whitening. Dark paint or walnut furnishings should never be washed, but thoroughly rubbed with linseed oil and polished with a piece of soft silk.

The Executioner.

At a reception in Washington ex-Secretary William M. Evans was once drawn into a discussion between two ladies.

"Mr. Evans," said one, "do you think I am right in saying that a woman is always the best judge of another woman's character?"

"Madame," replied Mr. Evans, "she is not only the best judge, but also the best executioner."

THE WAYS OF WOOLING

ARE THE SAME IN MOST COUNTRIES THEY WERE CENTURIES AGO.

Custom Which Never Dies—Sponges Decide the Destiny of Hindu Brides—Sweet Simplicity in Burma—Where the Bride's Ears Are Holed—A Bridal Collection.

The wooing of a girl in many countries varies not a whit from the customs and ceremonies in vogue when the world was very young. For example, now, as centuries ago, a bonfire plays an important part of every wedding celebrated in Paris, the marriage ceremony being read before one.

The placing of a fir tree is one of the ceremonies attending a Swedish wedding, which usually lasts several days. A peasant bride is adorned with her friends' trinkets, bracelets, necklaces and rings, which they hang upon her head, neck, arms, bodice and even upon her shoes. Then a silver ring is placed in one shoe for good luck.

In Norway the bride does not wear a wedding veil, but a big head-dress, which towers high above her brow.

In Bulgaria all newly married women are obliged to remain dumb for a month after marriage, except when addressed by their husbands. When it is desirable to remove this restriction permanently the husband presents her with a gift, and then she can chatter to her heart's content.

If a girl marries in Russia without the consent of her parents she is sent to prison and deprived of her share of the family property.

In Lithuania, a province of Russia, it is customary that the bride's ears should be boxed before the marriage ceremony. No matter how tender-hearted the mother may be, she makes it a point to administer a hearty smack to her daughter in the presence of witnesses, and a note is made of the fact. The mother's intention is a kind one, as the reason for it is to protect the bride should her marriage prove an unhappy one. In that case she will sue for a divorce, and her plea will be that she was forced into the marriage against her will, and on that score the verdict of the judge will be in her favor.

Of all the marriage rites of which one ever heard, those of Burma bear away the palm for consciousness and sweet simplicity. Here it is upon the dusky lady that the pleasing duties of courtship devolve. She sees a youth whom she deems calculated to make her happy, and forthwith offers him a stick of candy. If he accepts her proposal he promptly eats the token of affection, and they are thereby made man and wife. There is no further ceremony, and no witnesses are necessary. In the act of eating alone the most primitive marriage rite consists. But if on the contrary the youth is not willing, he assures her that that particular kind of candy is not to his taste, and the maiden must seek elsewhere for one more appreciative of her candy and of her affections.

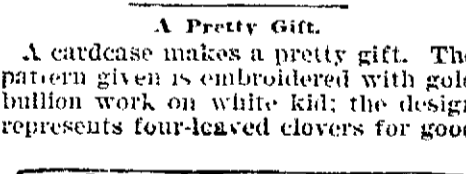
In Hungary, in certain rural districts, a very curious custom prevails, which is very popular among the maidens who are not possessed of a dowry. On the morning of her wedding it is the custom of the bride to wash the hands and faces of the assembled guests, who in return throw into the basin used for these ablutions a certain sum of money, which the dowryless bride appropriates to her own use.

The simplest and perhaps the most impressive marriage ceremony is that in use among the Cherokee Indians. The couple join hands over a running stream, which is symbolic of the desire that their lives shall thereafter flow on in the same channel.

An old marriage custom obtains in the island of Rhodus, opposite the island of Rhodes. The Greeks, by whom it is peopled, earn their living by the sponge fisheries. No girl is allowed to marry until she has brought up a certain number of sponges, which must be taken from a certain depth. In some of the other Greek islands it is the men who must dive for the sponges. If there are several suitors for the hand of a maiden the father bestows her on the man who can bring up the largest number of sponges.

A Pretty Gift.

A cardcase makes a pretty gift. The pattern given is embroidered with gold bullion work on white kid; the design represents four-leaved clovers for good.



WHITE KID CARD CASE.

lock, one of which is given in detail in the natural size, to show the stitch. The embroidered leaf is surrounded by gold beads, and a gold paillette marks the centre.

A Complexion Beautifier.

Hot milk is the newest panacea for all complexion ills. If the face be wrinkled, shallow, freckled or otherwise affected, hot milk says the enthusiasts over this new remedy, will produce a cure. Converts declare that the face after being washed with hot milk at night, feels wonderfully refreshed, while the skin soon becomes very white and soft. They also claim that a generous quantity of milk poured into the bath is positively magical in removing fatigue.

Three Types of Women.

The average height of the French woman is 5 feet, 1 inch. The American women are nearly 2 inches taller, and the women of Great Britain 1/2 in. taller than their American sisters.

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SALE AND LIVERY BUSINESS

THE HERALD. TUESDAY, DEC. 5, 1899.

AROUND THE CITY.

There will be less building going on in the city this winter than for several years past, according to the statement of one of the leading contractors to the *Herald* on Monday. The great increase in the price of materials is responsible for the abandoning of plans by many for the erection of homes. Most building materials have advanced at least 50 per cent from the prices of one year ago and the prices on some stuff, such as heating apparatus, are nearly 300 per cent above the prices two years ago. Nothing but actual necessity will cause one to think of building at such rates and very little work other than repairing and jobbing will be done.

Something new for this city is a display of millinery for dolls, in a window of a store on Market square, a store that also supplies the headgear for the fair sex. These miniature affairs are made up in the neatest and most attractive designs and excellently like the real articles. In the center of the window is a big doll and this and the little affairs in hats attract the greatest attention from the children, and the older folks as well. The prices for these handsome delights of the little girls range from 13 cents to a dollar and are made for the Christmas trade. Happy will be the child who will be the possessor of one of these hats and the doll to go with it.

The annual output of calendars has begun and it will be but a short time when the fiend will be in his glory, with an itinerary that he will embrace every store and office in the city and make him the bore that he will be and cause him to be "cussed" no more than he deserves. Those who use newspapers for advertising purposes will have no need of using calendars for such an object, but calendars seem to have come to stay, while the bore will stay longer.

One has only to glance at the store windows about the city to be convinced of the fact that we are in the holiday part of the year. Even thus early, if it may be so called, there is beginning to be shown a sort of Christmas embellishment that reminds one of the approach of that happy Christmas festival, with its gift-giving geniality. The weather today reminds one, too, that we may expect more seasonable winds and snow before long.

Portsmouth merchants are preparing for one of the greatest holiday seasons in the history of the city. They feel that the encouraging industrial outlook will have a great tendency to stimulate trade, and in consequence will have the finest display of holiday goods ever shown in the city. They also hope and expect that the people of the city will trade at home and not be deluded into paying carfare out of town with the idea that better bargains will be found, for too often has this mistake been made.

These are harvest days for the coasters. Most of the schooners that run in this port have made more money in the last month than in all the rest of the season, because of the big freights they are getting. The coasters are in a position to make their own price. In the first place there is a scarcity of vessels. Then nobody would dare charter them with a demurrage clause for they are likely to have to wait weeks before they can get coal. So the last trips have been very profitable for the coasters.

"When you use a revenue stamp of larger denomination than 10 cents, after this," said Collector Wood this morning "don't forget to observe the new regulation which requires that the person using or affixing the same shall, in addition to writing or stamping thereon with ink the initials of his name and date when affixed, mutilate said stamp by cutting three parallel incisions lengthwise through the stamp, beginning not more than one-fourth of an inch from one end thereof, and extending to within one-fourth of an inch of the other end."

"Quite a number of local storekeepers received a surprise party Monday in the shape of a notice from insurance agents of a raise in their rates because they allowed boxes and rubbish to accumulate about their premises. In some cases the raise was fifty cents on a thousand."

"BROWNING" DEPARTMENT OF
GRAFFORT CLUB MEET.

The Browning class of the Graffort club met with Miss Thatcher, at her home on Islington street on Monday afternoon, from four to six o'clock. A large number of members were present and the time was very pleasantly and profitably spent.

WAITING ROOM ON FIRE.

More Property Narrowly Escaped Destruction on Monday.

At about 1:30 o'clock on Monday afternoon, a fire was discovered under the steps of the waiting room of the Portsmouth, Kittery and York railway on Badger's island, and how the fire started is a mystery. It is believed to have been of incendiary origin.

When first seen the fire was going in good shape and nothing but the prompt work of the manager, Mr. Harry Chick, and Mr. Charles Trefethen, prevented the destruction of considerable property.

The fire was in a bunch of oily waste and when first seen the waiting room was temporarily closed while the manager was at lunch between car times. Mr. Trefethen was passing over the bridge between the island and Kittery on his way to the ferry landing. He saw the smoke pouring from under the steps and at once aroused the vicinity with his shouts of "fire." Mr. Chick at once responded to the call and he and Mr. Trefethen set to work to extinguish the blaze.

They pulled the burning waste from beneath the steps and with water stopped the fire where it had communicated with the woodwork. The burning waste was thrown off the pier into the river.

There are circumstances that will be thoroughly investigated by the officials. Following so closely as it does on the destruction of the steamer New-march on Thanksgiving night, it has created a desire on the part of the public to know if the old ferry craft was not set on fire.

NO AGREEMENT.

Fair Offer of the P. A. A. Not Accepted By the Woods.

Captain Ira Newick, of the Portsmouth Athletic Association football team, and Capt. Frank Woods, of the Woods team, came to the *Herald* office at 7:30 o'clock, on Monday evening, and discussed the challenge issued by Capt. Newick to the Woods team, on Monday evening, for a matched game between the two elevens. A half dozen witnesses were present. After a half hour's talk, the matter was called off, probably for good, because no agreement could be reached.

The *Herald* was requested to publish the following communication relative to the matter:

To the Public: The captains of the two football teams met on Monday evening, in the *Herald* office, and tried to come to some understanding regarding the challenge issued by the P. A. A. to the Woods team. The conditions of the challenge were that the game should take place on some day of this week and be for \$100 a side. Those conditions were not accepted by the captain of the Woods team, but he said that if P. A. A. wanted a game, it must be for \$500. The P. A. A. representative promptly guaranteed to bring that sum to the *Herald* office, within half an hour, and post it. Thereupon, the captain of the Woods team made a new proposition, as follows: P. A. A. was to post \$500 and the Woods team nothing, and if the Woods team won, they should take the \$500 and the gate receipts, while if P. A. A. won, they were to take the gate receipts and have the privilege of taking back their own five hundred. Of course, such a ridiculous proposition could not be considered. Then the P. A. A. representative offered to play for money or marbles, but this was refused, so the negotiations were off. It may be added that the P. A. A. prior to settle the controversy on the football field, instead of prolonging it in the newspapers. None of the communications which have appeared in several of the papers within the past few days have been prompted in any way by any member of P. A. A. team.

CAPTAIN OF P. A. A.

SHOWING THEIR SKILL.

Portsmouth Navy Yard Mechanics Cover Themselves With Glory.

Four handsome ship models have just been completed by the construction department of the navy yard for the use of the cadets at Annapolis. They will be on exhibition at the office building for a few days preparatory to shipment to the naval academy.

They are known as section models and are made to show all the plates, beams, angles, brackets, etc., that form the structural portion of a ship, and the method of connecting them. Sections of the gunboats Bancroft and Annapolis are shown one eighth full size and a section and how model of the new battleship Alabama, one-twelfth full size. These are the first models of this kind constructed at the yard, and are a credit to the shops engaged on them, the foundry, the pattern shop and the painters' department. The cost is understood to have been about \$250 each.

The models were set up on Monday afternoon and they are the finest specimens of workmanship ever shown at the yard and will serve to keep the naval cadets at Annapolis in touch with Portsmouth. To Naval Constructor Trefethen and his assistants is due much credit for the success of the undertaking. The bulk of the work of construction devolved upon John A. George of Portsmouth, while Master Workmen Connors, Brown, Trefethen and Ball did their work in a thorough manner.

CITY BRIEFS.

No police court this morning.

The small boy is anxious to try his skates.

There is a frequent buzz of the politicians.

Such weather as this is killing the length of the winter.

The pigskin will now probably be given a much needed rest.

Kittery is all agog over the rumors that are in circulation there.

Conner, photographer studio, (formerly Nickerson's,) No. 1 Congress street.

The "S. G." Londres is made of the choicest stock and is the best ten cent cigar in the market.

Mr. C. A. Paige, the advance agent of the Jessie Harcourt company, here next week, arrived in town today.

The night patrolmen had to keep on the move on Monday evening and their heavy ulsters were none too warm.

Rubber heels become very popular and John G. Mott is fitting out the local public with an excellent article.

Call at Sanford's Quick Lunch Rooms for your celebrated Fried Clams also Shucked Clams and Clams in Shell and Eatables of all kind, No. 70 State street.

For a thoroughly first class, bright, clean and wholesome comedy drama, The American Girl, which plays at Music hall, on December 7th, is conceded by press and public alike to be the peer of all. It's only appearance here will be on the above date, when the usual capacity business is to be expected.

It is rumored that a man who has recently figured prominently in liquor raids, and whom the police authorities will not allow to do business, has procured warrants against four prominent saloons, and says if he cannot sell they shall not. He says he is waiting another raid, when he will then see what he can accomplish in another direction.

The price of gulls' wings and breasts has been steadily declining and now the business of shooting them is much less remunerative along the coast than it was a few weeks since. The practice of such ruthless shooting as has been carried on during the past few months, if continued, would soon have completely exterminated the birds from this coast, simply to satisfy a fad, which will hold for a time and then be discarded for some other, and possibly less cruel.

PERSONALS

Rev. Henry E. Hovey is a visitor in Boston.

Mrs. Andrew P. Preston is on a visit to New York city.

John H. Bartlett, Esq., is in Concord today on business.

Lawyer George L. Parker was in Boston on business, Monday.

Archibald Moynahan has returned from a visit in and around Boston.

George S. Carpenter of Boston was in town on Monday on business.

Charles Payne returned to his studies at New Hampshire college Monday.

Miss Nettie Moulton of the depot cafe, left Monday on a vacation of several weeks.

Mrs. Will Rogers is the guest of Captain and Mrs. Fred Duncan at Crescent Beach, Mass.

Samuel Bell of Deerfield was a visitor in town on Monday and stopped at the Rockingham.

C. Fred Duncan was in town Monday but returned to his business in Lynn on the Yankee.

Dover visitors here today were Norman Seavey, Frederick Smith, I. C. Tasker and I. Smith Brewster.

Miss Ruth B. Law, who has been the guest of relatives in town, left Monday for her home in Fair Haven, Conn.

The engagement of Miss Rena B. Foster of South Eliot and Mr. Edward Sweeney, chief master-at-arms, N. S. N., is announced, the marriage to take place in the near future.

Miss Edith Ormsby of Casper, Wyoming, will be the guest of Miss Julia Dearborn Moses, this winter, and will assist Miss Moses, as pianist, during the dancing season.

DECREASE IN REVENUE.

The internal revenue collections for this district, which comprises the states of Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont for the month ending Nov. 30, 1899, were \$86,308.08. For the corresponding month of last year, the collections were \$91,272, showing a decrease of \$4,963.92.

Bodily pain loses its terror if you've a bottle of Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil in the house. Instant relief in cases of burns, cuts, sprains, accidents of any sort.

THEATRICAL HAPPENINGS.

DEWEY'S RECEPTION IS A HUMMER.

Dewey's Reception is advertised simply as something to make playgoers laugh. It succeeded so very admirably here on Monday evening that those who saw it produced in Music hall have hardly done laughing yet. It is certainly a rollicking piece, put on by a company that improves every opportunity to make mirth.

The Donovans, James and Fannie, are widely known as belonging among the leading fun-makers now on the road. All the people they have gathered around them this season combine to render them most satisfactory support.

The several component parts of this lively cast are, besides the Donovans, Joseph M. Allen, William B. West, William Murray, Maudie Harvey, Frances L. Henry, and the Howards, Blanche and Maud. Merriment scintillates from this coterie as sparks fly from a comet that on a rocket.

There isn't a tedious wait in the whole show. When nothing else is doing somebody bobs up with an entertaining specialty. Especially conspicuous in this line are the Howards, the Donovans, Allen and West and Miss Harvey.

Dewey's Reception is about as brisk a thing as is being paraded in the glimmer of the footlights. It deserved a much larger audience than greeted it on Monday evening. It is full of pop and sizzle from start to finish and gives old "Duit Care" a knockout blow which puts him to sleep for two and a half hours.

A SUCCESSFUL MANAGER.

Among the men who figure most prominently in the theatrical business is a Maine boy—Mr. A. Q. Scammon, a native of Saco, where his father practiced law. Mr. Scammon has many acquaintances in Portland, some of which he formed while employed by the firm of Woodman & True some years since. His success in the theatrical field has been rapid and exceptional. Beginning in a small way, he now controls the National Theatrical agency at New York and gives employment to more managers, actors and agents than any other one man with the possible exception of Charles Frohman. This season Mr. Scammon has eight attractions of his own on the road, including An American Girl.

This certainly seems to be care and responsibility enough for one man, and it would be more than an ordinary individual could successfully handle. But this energetic son of Maine looks after his many interests with as much ease as if he were the proprietor of but a corner grocery, and he has plans maturing for next year that will give him the control of or an interest in at least twenty companies. His profits this season promise to be fully \$30,000.—Portland Argus.

DONNELLY'S MASTERPIECE.

H. Gratton Donnelly's masterpiece, The American Girl, is the attraction at Music hall on Thursday evening, Dec. 7th. As presented by the A. Q. Scammon company it is as The American Girl should be, above par. The cast is composed of representative actors of repute, and it may be said that the management of the local theatre is exceedingly fortunate in booking such an attraction.

HARCOURT COMPANY COMING.

The Jessie Harcourt repertoire company has been playing to unusually large business this season in Manchester, Nashua, Concord, and other cities in this section. This will be the attraction at Music hall all next week at popular prices.

LECTURED ON YELLOWSTONE PARK.

Rev. George W. Gile gave his third in the series of lectures at Peirce hall on Monday evening before a large and cultured audience. His subject was, "The Yellowstone Park," and it proved a rare treat to his listeners. It was illustrated throughout with the stereopticon, the pictures being unusually clear and distinct. Rev. Mr. Gile is a most interesting speaker and his lectures have been much enjoyed by all who have attended.

MITE BOX OPENING.

The Junior League Mission band connected with the Methodist church held their semi-annual mite box opening in the church vestry on Monday evening. A large number of relatives and friends of the band were present on the occasion and were treated to a fine entertainment, consisting of recitations, singing and violin solos. A neat sum was realized from the mite boxes, which will be sent to foreign missions.

Fistulosis is cured by BERCHAM'S PILLS.

FIRE AT YORK.

Beach View Buildings Burned There On Monday Night.

The Beach View buildings at York Beach situated near the Sea Cottage on Long Beach, were totally destroyed by fire at about 11 o'clock on Monday night. The cottage, where the fire started, was not occupied and the origin of the fire is not known. The loss on the buildings is about \$3000, and whether insured, is not known.

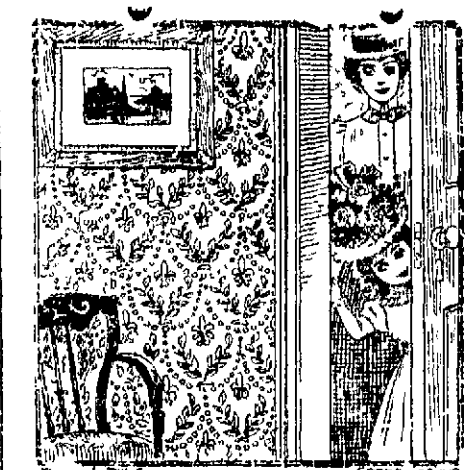
The buildings were owned by two ladies named Goodwin, of Lynn, Mass.

REVIVAL MEETINGS.

The meeting at the Pearl street church last evening was one of deep interest. Rev. Mr. Gilkey preached a searching sermon from Isa. 3: 10, 11, "Say ye to the righteous that it shall be well with him; for they shall eat the fruit of their doings. Woe unto the wicked! it shall be ill with him; for the reward of his hands shall be given him." At the opening of the service tonight Mr. Gilkey will sing a gospel solo.

ASSEMBLY IN CONSERVATORY HALL.

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